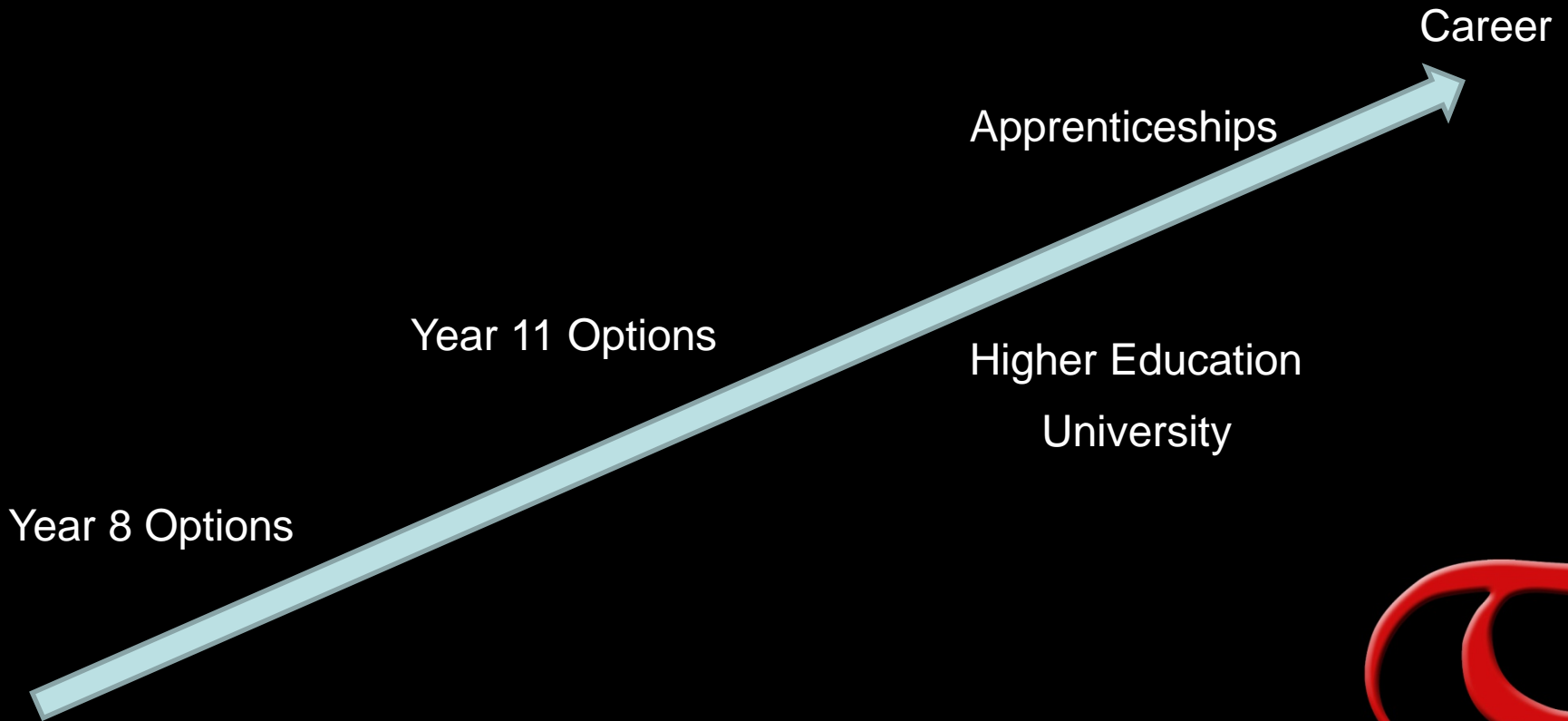

Year 8 Options Evening

Where do you want to end up?



Career

- What do you want to do?
- What do you need to be able to do this?
- Cathy Sharpe in the library

University – Higher Education

- Students apply to university in year 13
- Look at the UCAS website
- What do you need?
- Not many subjects are essential for courses, however, for some vocational courses (medicine, veterinary science, etc.) there are compulsory subjects at both GCSE and A-Level

Apprenticeships

Name	Level	Equivalent educational level
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes at grades A*-C
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4, 5, 6 and 7	Foundation degree
Degree	6 and 7	Bachelor's or masters degree

What's available?

- Business administration
- Nursery assistant
- Chef
- Electrical
- Health and social care
- Light vehicle maintenance
- Care

And many more, this is just in a 5 mile radius of Tavistock

Year 11 Options

A	B	C	D	E
Psychology	Physics	Chemistry	Psychology	Core Mathematics
Japanese	French	Spanish	Mathematics	Further Mathematics
Mathematics	Creative Media Games	Computing	Sociology	
Applied Science BTEC	Design	History	Music BTEC	
Biology	Creative Media TV +	Art Photography	Media Studies	
Performing Arts	Film	English Literature	Engineering BTEC	
Law	Art	Public Services BTEC	Textiles	
Law BTEC	English Literature	Product Design	Applied Business	
Food	English Language	RE	Marketing BTEC	
History	Business Studies	Travel and Tourism	Geography	
	Sports BTEC Single	BTEC		
	Health and Social Care BTEC Single			
	Sports BTEC Double		Sports BTEC Double	
	Health and Social Care BTEC Double		Health and Social Care BTEC Double	

Year 8 Options

- Core Curriculum
- Compulsory Subjects
- Personalised Options

Curriculum Model

Year	Maths	English Language and Literature	Science	Ethics and Beliefs	PE	Compulsory Subject	Option	Option	Option
9	8 hours	8 hours	9 hours	4 hours	5 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours
10 & 11	7 hours	8 hours	12 hours	3 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours	4 hours

Core Curriculum

- English language and literature
- Mathematics
- Science (double or triple)
- Ethics and beliefs
- PE

Compulsory Subjects

- Students must choose at least 1 subject from this list.
 - This is to ensure a broad and balanced curriculum.
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- ❖ Computing
 - ❖ French
 - ❖ Geography
 - ❖ History
 - ❖ Japanese
 - ❖ Spanish

Personalised Options

- Students need to choose no more than 3 of these subjects
- Choose 1 reserve option

Creative Arts

- Art and design
- BTEC Creative media
- BTEC Dance (done in core PE time)
- Drama
- Media studies
- Music
- BTEC Music
- Photography

Humanities

- Business
- Geography *
- History *

Modern Foreign Languages

- French *
- Japanese *
- Spanish *

Physical Education

- Physical education
- BTEC Public services

Social Studies

- Psychology
- Sociology

Technology

- Child development and care
- Computing *
- BTEC Construction (double option)
- Design and technology
- Food preparation and nutrition
- Textiles design

The English Baccalaureate

- Made up of the more traditional academic subjects
 - You should consider this if you are thinking of university, particularly the Russell Group or Oxbridge.
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- ❖ English
 - ❖ Mathematics
 - ❖ Science
 - ❖ One of the humanities (geography or history)
 - ❖ Modern foreign language

New Curriculum

- Very little, if any, coursework
- No A*-G grades
- New scale of 9-1

New Curriculum

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	A
7	A
6	B
5	B
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
1	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

New Curriculum

- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 4 and above as currently achieve a grade C and above
- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 7 and above as currently achieve a grade A and above
- Broadly the same proportion of students will achieve a grade 1 and above as currently achieve a grade G and above



Timescales

- Options evening 11th January
- Options assemblies week beginning 16th January
- Options interviews 6th February to 3rd March
- Option forms handed in by 10th March
- Options finalised and confirmation sent out by Easter

FAQ

Can any subjects be taken early in year 10?

The Government has scrapped early entry for students as an option.

Do I have to take an option from the compulsory subject list?

Yes. This will ensure a broad and balanced curriculum.

FAQ

Can I change my options?

This may be possible soon after the options process, however not guaranteed. This cannot happen once courses have begun.

Why can't we choose any combination we like?

We have to fit subjects into blocks. We do this to maximise the number of fits.